

LANGFORD BUDVILLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Langford Budville Parish Council held on Monday 11th November 2024 at 6.30pm at the Jubilee Hall

Present: - Derek Sowden (Chair), Theresa Jacoby, Fiona Barber, Jon Moise-Souch, attendees as below and three members of public

Members absent: - Graham Warner

Apologies: - Cllr Gwil Wren

In Attendance: - Cllr Dave Mansell, Ms Chadwick as Clerk

Public Forum

Cllr Mansell gave his update including on the restructuring and cost saving plans in progress within Somerset Council. He also updated on footpath access issues reported at the last meeting, which have been resolved.

1. Apologies

Graham Warner sent his apologies. It was resolved that the apology and the reasons for it, be accepted.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on the 9th September 2024 were approved unanimously.

4. Group Reports

4.1 A Greener Langford Budville

No update.

4.2 Triangle

Rotten rails to be replaced. Visibility at the corner to be monitored.

4.3 Events Group

A quiz in aid of the school is planned

4.4 Conservation Group. Jubilee Wood and Wildflower area

The conservation group continue to meet weather depending, but activity is necessarily lower in winter. They have repaired the stile at Harpford Bridge. The last few expenses for the Jubilee Wood will be passed to the Clerk.

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4.5 Footpaths

Zenah has stepped down as parish volunteer footpath warden after many years. The Parish Council expressed their gratitude for her work.

5. Review of 20's Plenty survey feedback and next steps

The Clerk updated on feedback from traffic survey so far, and it was agreed to proceed with 20's plenty signage. Clerk to follow up with Kate Brown of Highways following a meeting on 3 October and liaise in with Juliet on Active Travel.

6. Projects for 2024

The Chair led further discussion of proposed projects for 2024/25, and resolved as follows:

Noticeboards: Chair to action with Chris Montag

Church fundraising: Councillors heard a proposal from St Peter's, Langford Budville about their fundraising requirements, and an "Antiques Valuation" event is planned. Jon will link this activity into Friends of Langford Budville School. It was agreed to reinstate the £400 grant to St Peters Langford Budville for this year. An application will also be made to Community Events.

Traffic signage: Chair to contact sponsors on 20's plenty signage,

Ash tree replacement: the planting proposal previously circulated and approved by David Galley, with expenditure approved up to £600. Clerk to action payments as required.

7. Finance

7.1 Bank Reconciliation

The Council approved the bank reconciliation.

7.2 Schedule of Payments

The Council approved the Schedule of Payments, as below, plus £400 grant to the church as above and expenditure on tree replacement up to £600:

Summary of Payments Due					
To pay:					
Clerks wages	C	6 Sep to 7 Nov 9 weeks	577.80		£12.84 x 5 hrs pw x 9 weeks
Clerks expenses	C	mileage	31.50		35 miles x 2 trips
		printing	18.00		
		domain and website	142.06	769.36	
Ian Loudon	C	Various		217.02	Invoices
Somerset Council	C	Grass cutting		901.58	inv 30085843
LB Jubilee Hall	C	Meetings Q3		16.50	inv LBH 2024
Total to pay:				<u>986.38</u>	

7.3 Review of financial position

The Council reviewed the spend to date vs budget and forecast outturn

7.4 Draft budget

The Council reviewed the draft budget for 2025/26 and will finalise both the budget and precept at the next meeting. It was agreed to add some tree

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expenditure as per Tim’s report. The Clerk will update and model the impact on precept.

9. Agenda Items for next meeting

It was agreed to add project updates and budget to the agenda for the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm

To be signed by the Chair at the next meeting (Monday 13 January 2025):

The minutes reflect an accurate record of events subject to any amendments listed below.

Signed:

Print Name:

Date:

Amendments:

Produced by:

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